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SECURITY ASPECT FOR NEW MOBILE CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of mobile subscribers in the Telecom Sector at present;

(b) whether the Government proposes to take care of security aspects while giving new connections;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the present status of landline and mobile connections in the country, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) As on 30.06.2007, the total number of wireless telephone connections are 18,51,30,676.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Government has issued instructions to access services providers from time to time for verification of identity and address of customers before enrolling him/her as a subscriber.

(d) The details regarding wireline (landline) and wireless telephone connections are maintained lincenced service area wise. The status as on 30.06.2007 is given in the Annexure.